GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3676
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SETTING UP OF A SURVEILLANCE CENTRE BY CHINA
BRAHMANAND MANDAL;SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistani leaders have made an offer to China to establish a surveillance centre at Makrana coast as reported in the Navbharat Times dated June 30, 2002;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) to (c) China has been involved in the Phase I of the Gwadar deep sea port project in Pakistan.Full capabilities in the context of the deep sea port have not yet been developed.